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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JUNE 2, 1998

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At the relation of the

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

CASE NO. PUE960296

Ex Parte: Investigation of Electric  
Utility Industry Restructuring --  
Virginia Electric and Power Company

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION

On June 2, 1998, the Staff of the State Corporation Commission filed a motion for an extension to the procedural schedule in the above-referenced proceeding. As with its motion filed May 22, the Staff states that it and several parties are continuing to discuss certain substantive issues in order to narrow the issues for hearing, and that the current status of the discussions warrants continued efforts to reach agreement on significant issues. Staff therefore requests that the Commission extend the dates for the filing of rebuttal testimony from June 2 to June 8, and for the filing of surrebuttal testimony from June 26 to July 2. Staff does not request an extension for the public hearing now scheduled for July 10. The Apartment and Office Building Association ("AOBA") has filed a response objecting to the Staff motion.

NOW THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of Staff's motion to extend certain procedural dates, is of the opinion that it is in the public interest to grant Staff's request to extend the dates for the filing of rebuttal testimony from June 2 to June 8, and for the filing of surrebuttal testimony from June 26 to July 2. We find that, at this time, these additional extensions should not necessitate an extension of the hearing date now set for July 10, 1998.

With respect to AOBA's objection, at this time it is not evident that the requested extensions will be prejudicial to AOBA or any other party. If, however, AOBA or another party finds that it needs accommodation as a result of these extensions, we will certainly consider such requests at the appropriate time. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) All rebuttal testimony shall be filed on or before June 8, 1998, and shall be served on the parties and Staff on or before that date;

(2) All surrebuttal testimony shall be filed on or before July 2, 1998, and shall be served on the Staff and parties on or before that date;

(3) The hearing shall begin at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission's Second Floor Courtroom, Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia, on July 10, 1998.